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Congress has passed, and President Bush has signed, legislation authorizing the issuance of an American Veterans Disabled for Life Commemorative Coin in 2010. Proceeds from sale of the coin will go toward building the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial in Washington, D.C.

"The commemorative coin act is another reflection of America's heartfelt appreciation for the service and sacrifice of our disabled veterans," said Lois Pope, chairman of the Disabled Veterans' LIFE Memorial Foundation. "Congress and the administration clearly share our desire to permanently honor their service; not only with a commemorative coin but also with the national memorial we will build within sight of the Capitol building. We are grateful to Senator Tim Johnson and Representatives Dennis Moore and Mark Kirk for their leadership in securing passage of this legislation."

"The commemorative coin legislation is a well-deserved honor for our disabled veterans and a tremendous boost for the foundation in its efforts to secure funds for the memorial's construction," said Arthur Wilson, foundation president and national adjutant of the Disabled American Veterans. "We've got a great location and a great design," Wilson stated.

The Foundation hopes to dedicate the memorial in 2010. More information about the American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial is available at <http://www.avdlm.org/>.

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